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Subject: Letter of Clarification No. 3

Safety Footwear for Various Departments

Reference: Invitation to Bid (ITB) No.: S36-S24114

To All Prospective Suppliers:

This Letter of Clarification is issued for the following reasons:

- To revise the above referenced solicitation as follows:
 - 1. At the City's Electronic website, Group IV description has been changed.
- To answer the following questions:
 - 1. Question: "On Group IV there is no Approved Equal 2012 Published Price List or Latest Edition?"
 - Answer: "Group IV description has been changed to include an "approved equal."
 - 2. Question: "I understand that HyTest cannot bid on Group IV Safety Footwear and that Red Wing has won the Group IV Safety Footwear Bid? Can Red Wing use their part #'s on Group I Safety Footwear? If that is the case, why are they not using Approved Equal on Group IV?"
 - Answer: "All items listed at the ebidding website are open to all interested Suppliers. The manufacturer's name, product name and product number must be designated in the space provided, if bidders are bidding an "or equal" item. Group IV description has been changed to include "an approved equal".
 - 3. Question: "On Bid Group IV estimated expenditure is \$50,000.00. Can this dollar amount go up to \$60,000 -- \$100,000.00 or is this a fixed amount for the 5 year contract?"
 - Answer: "No. The Total Estimated Expenditures is only an estimate based on the Department's usage for a five (5) year period"

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• Due to the aforementioned change(s) to the e-bidding items you may need to edit your bid. To do so, please select the "Bid Number" and proceed accordingly.

This Letter of Clarification will be considered part of the solicitation referenced on the first page of this document. All revisions, responses, and answers incorporated into the Letter(s) of Clarification are collaboratively from both the Strategic Purchasing Division and the applicable City Department(s).

Furthermore, it is the responsibility of each BIDDER to obtain any previous Letter(s) of Clarification associated with this solicitation.

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